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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This reply is filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 23, 2005. The original deadline for response was November 23, 2005. A three-month petition for extension of time is enclosed, thus extending the deadline to February 23, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.